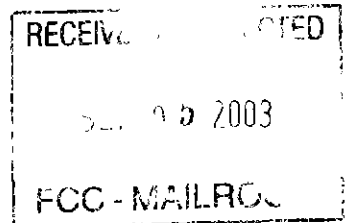


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Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554



RE: WT Docket No 99-87/RM-9332

Date: Friday, August 29, 2003

Dear Ms Dortch:

I would like to express my support for the petition for reconsideration filed by the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials (APCO) and other public safety organizations in the above-referenced proceeding regarding mandatory migration to narrowband operations on land mobile radio systems in the VHF High Band (150-170 MHz) and UHF (421-512 MHz) frequencies.

If not changed, the "near-term" dates and requirements will prevent public safety licensees from adding critical capacity and coverage for existing systems, locking them into current channels and equipment supplies, or forcing them to expend scarce resources to replace prematurely their entire radio systems. Therefore, the rules must be modified to ensure that, pending the final conversion date, public safety agencies will continue to have the necessary flexibility to modify and add to their radio systems to accommodate changing public safety operational requirements

Respectfully submitted.

*Tom Wall*

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Sheriff

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Xc. Mrs Linda Frazier, County Mayor  
E-911 board members

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